Planning Group' on restructuring the National Oil Industry with members comprising of top management from public and private sector and leading experts from academic and research institutes, has been formed. The group has not yet submitted its report.

Joint sector company for gas supply in madras

2556. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that he has suggested to form a joint sector company to take over small gas structures of the O.N.G.C. for commercial exploitation and for supply of gas through pipes to Madras in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, what are the details of this proposal; and

(c) whether Government would entrust this project to the private sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

हालैंड का एक तेल शोधक कारखाने के संबंध में सम्भाव्यता अध्ययन कराने का प्रस्ताव

2557. श्री अजीत जोगी: क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या विदेशी पूंजी निवेश संवर्धन बोर्ड ने देश में तेल शोधक कारखाना स्थापित करने हेतु संभाव्यता अध्ययन कराने के लिए हालैंड द्वारा भेजे गये प्रस्ताव को मंजूर कर लिया है, और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन सतीश शर्मा): (क) और (ख) एफ०आई०पी०बी० द्वारा ऐसा कोई प्रस्ताव विचारार्थ प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है।

Supply of half-filled cylinders in Andhra Pradesh

2558. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how does Government propose to deal with the problem of half-filled gas cylinders sold to consumers;

(b) the details of steps taken to deal with this menace;

(c) whether any action been taken against the erring dealers in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF IHE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (d) There are clearly laid down procedures to ensure correctness of the weight of LPG refill cylinders at the bottling plants. All filled cylinders are provided with pilfer-proof seal. All LPG dealers are under instructions to ensure checking of each and every cylinder for correct weight prior to delivery to customers' premises. As and when specific complaints about the sale of under-weight cylinders are received, the same are investigated in detail and if the complaints is established, appropriate action is taken against the distributor under the Marketing Discipline Guidelines and also by the State Governments through their Weights and Measures Departments. During the period April-December, 1994, one established complaint regarding supply of under-weight cylinder has been received in Andhra Pradesh. A letter of caution has been issued to the distributor. The cylinder has been replaced free of cost to the consumer.